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SUBJ: USLOK ARRANGEMENTS

REF: A. SECDEF 5613 DTG 192323Z MAR 76

- B. USCINCEUR 8123 DTG 061711Z MAY 76
- C. USCINCEUR 7582 DTG 281430Z APR 76
- D. SECDEF 2028 DTG 071337Z MAY 76
- 1. DOD REP DISCUSSED LOA'S FOR USLOK (AAA) AND TAFTS (OAE AND OAF) WITH DESIGNATED MOD REPRESENTATIVE ON 23 MAY 76. POSITION STATED CLEARLY:
 - A. FORM OF DOCUMENT IS TROUBLESOM; AND
- B. PROBLEMS CAN BE RESOLVED BY DELETION OF ALL SUPPORT COSTS LEAVING ONLY BASIC SALARY COSTS (LINE ITEM ONE A), SINCE GOK WILL PROVIDE HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION AND AMENITIES.
- 2. THESE MATTERS HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED ON MANY OCCASIONS SINCE ORIGINAL PRESENTATION OF CASE UDG (MAY 75) AND OAE AND OAF (JULY 75). CASE UDG HAS BEEN REJECTED THREE TIMES, CASE OAE AND OAF REJECTED IN SUMMER 75 WITH REQUEST FOR RESTATEMENT AS STATED PARA 1B.
- 3. ON THE CONTENT OF THE DOCUMENTS, WE MUST COMMENT THAT THE USLOK CASE DOES N
 T PROVIDE FOR FUNDED ENVIRONMENTAL/
 MORALE LEAVE PROGRAM, WHEREAS THE TWO TAFT CASES DO. IF
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WE PROCEED, WE EXPECT FUNDED EML (AL LEAST) WILL BE LOST FOR

ALL DOD PERSONNEL. REF (B) STATES EUCOM VIEWS ON EML.

- 4. RECOMMEND ACTION DESCRIBED REFS (C) AND (D) CONTINUE.
- 5. EMBASSY COMMENT: WE ARE DISCOURAGED OVER RESULTS OF DISCUSSIONS SO FAR AND OBSERVE THAT ATTEMPT TO USE PRESENT LOA'S AS BASIS FOR AGREEMENT/DISCUSSIONS HAS ELICITED SAME FORMAL POSITION STATED BY MOD IN JULY 75, WHEN TAFT CASES REJECTED. INCONSISTENCY ON FUNDED EML DAMAGING TO DOD POSITION THIS MATTER. RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOW SEPTEL. MAU

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